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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding office action dated June 2, 2004 and due for response on September 2, 2004, and in accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please amend the above-identified Application as follows. Submitted herewith is a petition for a three (3) month extension of time to and including December 2, 2004 to respond.